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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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2. ☒ Applicant claims small entity status.
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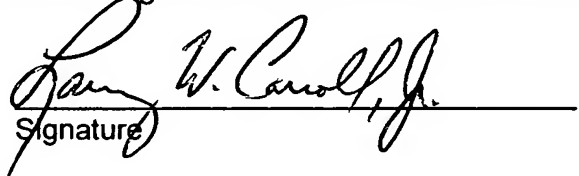
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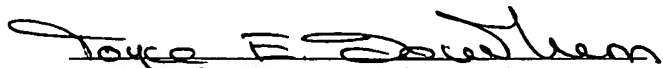
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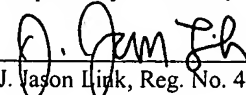
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Applicants hereby claim priority under 35 USC §120 to US Patent Application Serial No. 09/130,710 filed on August 6, 1998. Applicants have submitted herewith a copy of a signed oath or declaration from US Patent Application Serial No. 09/130,710. The assignee of record of US Patent Application Serial No. 09/130,710 changed the power of attorney and correspondence address during prosecution of the application. Copies of the documents submitted to change the power of attorney and correspondence address during the prosecution of US Patent Application Serial No. 09/130,710 are also submitted herewith. A copy of the acceptance of the change in Power of Attorney received from the Patent Office is also submitted herewith.

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